

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 148 - HB 444

February 16, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a new circuit court judgeship in the 22nd Judicial District (Giles, Lawrence, Maury, and Wayne counties) effective July 1, 2009, to be appointed by the Governor to serve until September 1, 2010. The judgeship shall be filled by election at the August 2010 election for an eight-year term. Authorizes one additional assistant district attorney (ADA) position and one additional assistant public defender (APD) position effective July 1, 2009.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures – \$45,000/One-Time
\$610,700/Recurring**

Assumptions:

- One-time expenditures of \$45,000 include the computer equipment, books, and other related expenses for the judge, ADA, APD, and secretarial staff.
- Recurring expenditures of \$610,700 include the salaries and benefits (\$520,159) and other operational expenses such as travel, rent, utilities, and online services (\$43,041) for a circuit court judge, one ADA, one APD, and secretarial staff. Also included are court reporter services of \$47,500 (required for criminal cases).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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